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SUBJECT: OECD/CST AD HOC GROUP ON MATERIALS RESOURCES

1. LAST MEETING OF SUBJECT GROUP, JAN. 30, REACHED
AGREEMENT ON WORK PROGRAM OF CASE STUDIES DIRECTED
TOWARDS DEVELOPMENT OF METHODOLOGY FOR EXAMINING
MATERIALS SYSTEM AND HENCE IMPROVED JUDGMENTS ON
POINTS OF GREATEST LEVERAGE FOR R&D WITH RESPECT TO
CHOSEN OBJECTIVES FOR SYSTEM. CANADIAN DELEGATE FORTIER,
MINISTRY OF ENERGY, MINES AND RESOURCES TAKING LEAD
FOR COORDINATING COPPER CASE STUDY (NON-RENEWABLE RESOURCE)

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WITH PLAN FOR HOLDING WORKING MEETING OF COPPER SUB GROUP

AT OECD ON JUNE 20 OR 30. FORTIER HAS ALREADY PROVIDED SUB GROUP MEMBERS WITH STUDY PLAN AND TIMETABLE WHICH WE FEEL COULD PROVIDE BASIS FOR ANALOGOUS PLAN FOR WOOD STUDY.

2. SWEDISH DELEGATE, J.O. CARLSSON, MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY TENTATIVELY AGREED TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY WOOD/WOOD PRODUCTS CASE STUDY (RENEWABLE RESOURCE) WITH SUGGESTION OF FORMING "CONSORTIUM" OF SWEDEN/NORWAY/FINLAND TO LEAD THIS EFFORT WHICH WOULD INCLUDE OTHER INTERESTED OECD COUNTRIES. HOWEVER, WE HAVE HEARD NOTHING FROM EITHER CARLSSON NOR THE SECRETARIAT ON NEXT STEPS FOR WOOD STUDY. BACKGROUND DOCS POUCHED SOHN, EMBASSY STOCKHOLM WHO IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT CARLSSON CONCERNING HIS PLANS TO IMPLEMENT WOOD STUDY. SUGGEST SUB GROUP THIS STUDY MEET IN CONJUNCTION COPPER GROUP TO CONSERVE TRAVEL TIME/EXPENSE OF US REP WHO PLANS PARTICIPATE IN BOTH STUDIES.

3. SUBJECT GROUP ALSO AGREED TO SUMMARY OVERVIEW OF R&D ACTIVITIES IN FIELD OF MATERIALS RESOURCES. USOECD REQUESTED TO QUERY SECRETARIAT ON FOLLOW UP. INGERSOLL

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